SONOMA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC WORKS SANTA ROSA, CALIFORNIA

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF

FEDERAL AID PROJECT NO. HRRRL - 5920 (113)

ADOBE ROAD AT EAST WASHINGTON STREET SIGNAL AND WIDENING

COUNTY PROJECT NO. C02279

Adobe Road PM 13.97 to PM 14.47 East Washington Street PM 10.90 to PM 11.01

The County of Sonoma Department of Transportation and Public Works is soliciting bids for the **Adobe Road at East Washington Street Signal and Widening** project. The County requests that bidders submit their bids in a sealed envelope at the County's General Services Purchasing Division's office at 2300 County Center Drive, Suite A208, Santa Rosa, California, until 2:00 p.m., as determined by the time and date stamp clock at the County's Purchasing Division on **March 2, 2016**. Bidders shall submit the entire Bid Book and Bidders shall refer to the bidder instructions, included in Proposal Forms for required bid documents to include in the bid submission and items to be submitted in a sealed envelope or electronic submittal to the Purchasing Division. The County will open all Bids promptly following the deadline for receiving Bids and initially evaluate them for responsiveness and determine an Apparent Low Bidder as specified herein. The Sonoma County Director of Transportation and Public Works will review the bids and refer the bids to the Board of Supervisors to consider awarding the project within 60 days of the Bid Opening.

General Work Description: The project consists of signal installation, road widening, drainage improvements and pavement markings and striping.

Bidders are advised that, as required by federal law, the State has established a statewide overall DBE goal. This County Federal-aid contract is considered to be part of the statewide overall DBE goal. The County is required to report to Caltrans on DBE participation for all Federal-aid contracts each year so that attainment efforts may be evaluated.

THIS PROJECT IS SUBJECT TO THE "BUY AMERICA" PROVISIONS OF THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE ACT OF 1982 AS AMENDED BY THE INTERMODAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION EFFICIENCY ACT OF 1991.

The Contractor shall possess a Class A license with a Hazardous Substance Removal Certification. The Contractor shall possess a Class A license at the time this contract is awarded.

The Engineer's Estimated Construction cost for this project is \$1,822,000.

Bids are required for the entire work described herein.

The award of the contract, if it be awarded, will be to the lowest responsive bidder whose proposal complies with all the requirements prescribed.

REGISTRATION PURSUANT TO LABOR CODE SECTION 1725.5 REQUIRED. As of March 1, 2015, all Contractors submitting a bid proposal for this project and any Subcontractors listed therein, must be currently registered and qualified to perform public work pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 County requires proof of current registration by contractor and all listed subcontractors as a condition to bid on the project, subject only to the allowances of Labor Code section 1771.1.

PREVAILING WAGE LAWS. This project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations. The successful Bidder must comply with all prevailing wage laws applicable to the Project, and related requirements contained in the Contract Documents. Contractor shall post the applicable prevailing wage rates at the site in addition to all other job site notices prescribed by regulation.

This contract is subject to state contract nondiscrimination and compliance requirements pursuant to Government Code §12990.

The Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Contract goal is 10.0 percent.

Plans, specifications, and bid forms for bidding this project may be reviewed at the Sonoma County Department of Transportation and Public Works, 2300 County Center Drive, Suite B100, Santa Rosa, California 95403.

Bidders must obtain Bidding Documents, at no charge, by registering at Sonoma County's Supplier Portal, the County's online procurement system:

(https://esupplier.sonomacounty.ca.gov/psp/FNPRD/SUPPLIER/ERP/h/?tab=DEFAULT).

PLEASE NOTE: YOU MUST BE PRE-REGISTERED AT THE BIDDER/VENDOR PORTAL IN ORDER TO UPLOAD/DOWNLOAD BID DATA or be included in any future bid solicitation notifications.

Bidders must submit:

One (1) hard copy of the signed bid. Hard copy bids must be enclosed in a sealed envelope or package and clearly marked "Adobe Road at East Washington Street Signal and Widening".

Proposals shall be submitted to:

County General Services Purchasing Division 2300 County Center Drive, Suite A208 Santa Rosa, CA 95403

Inquiries or questions based on alleged patent ambiguity of the plans, specifications or estimate must be communicated as a bidder inquiry prior to bid opening. Any such inquiries or questions, submitted after bid opening, will not be treated as a bid protest.

Technical questions should be faxed to John Leong at the Department of Transportation and Public Works, FAX: (707) 565-2620. *Only faxed requests received no later than February 17, 2016 will receive a response.* Response to post by February 26, 2016.

The successful bidder shall furnish both a payment bond and a performance bond for the full amount of the contract.

The County of Sonoma affirms that any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, national origin or other prohibited basis in consideration for an award.

Liquidated damages in the amount of seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500) will be assessed for each and every calendar days delay in finishing the work in excess of the number of working days prescribed in the contract.

Pursuant to Section 1770 and following of the Labor Code, the general prevailing rate of wages has been determined by the Director of the California Department of Industrial Relations. Bidders should contact the Department of Industrial Relations at (415) 703-4774 for General Prevailing Wage Rates on specific job classifications. Future effective wage rates, which have been predetermined, are on file with the California Department of Industrial Relations and are referenced but not printed in the General Prevailing Wage Rates. Bidders are advised that if they intend to use a craft or classification not on file on the general wage determinations, they may be required to pay the wage rate of that craft or classification most closely related to it as shown in the general determinations.

Pursuant to Section 1773 and following of the Labor Code, the general prevailing rate of wages in the county, or counties, in which the work is to be done has been determined by the Director of the California Department of Industrial Relations. These wages are set forth in the General Prevailing Wage Rates for this project, available at the California Department of Industrial Relations' Internet web site at http://www.dir.ca.gov. The Federal minimum wage rates for this project as predetermined by the United States Secretary of Labor are set forth in the books issued for bidding purposes entitled "Proposal and Contract," and in copies of this book that may be examined at the offices described above where project plans, Special Provisions, and proposal forms may be seen. Addenda to modify the Federal minimum wage rates, if necessary, will be issued to holders of "Proposal and Contract" books. Future effective general prevailing wage rates which have been predetermined and are on file with the California Department of Industrial Relations are referenced but not printed in the general prevailing wage rates.

Attention is directed to the federal minimum wage rate requirements in said books issued for bidding purposes entitled "Proposal and Contract." If there is a difference between the minimum wage rates predetermined by the Secretary of Labor and the general prevailing wage rates determined by the Director of the California Department of Industrial Relations for similar classifications of labor, the contractor and subcontractors shall pay not less than the higher wage rate. The department will not accept lower state wage rates not specifically included in the federal minimum wage determinations. This includes "helper" (or other classifications based on hours of experience) or any other classification not appearing in the federal wage determinations. Where federal wage determinations do not contain the state wage rate determination otherwise available for use by the contractor and subcontractors, the contractor and subcontractors shall pay not less than the federal minimum wage rate, which most closely approximates the duties of the employees in question.

The U. S. Department of Transportation (DOT) provides a toll-free "hotline" service to report bid rigging activities. Bid rigging activities can be reported Mondays through Fridays, between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, Telephone No. 1-800-424-9071. Anyone with knowledge of possible bid, bidder collusion, or other fraudulent activities should use the "hotline" to report these activities. The "hotline" is part of the DOT's continuing effort to identify and investigate highway construction contract fraud and abuse and is operated under the direction of the DOT Inspector General. All information will be treated confidentially and caller anonymity will be respected.

The Board of Supervisors of the Sonoma County reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any defect or irregularity in bidding.